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10/27/72

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This is in reply to your letter of October 12, 1972.

We have an electrostatic copy and the original of the Government copy of the "memorandum of transfer" of the material relating to the autopsy of President Kennedy. The Secret Service transmittal letters relating to those documents are withheld from research under the terms of 5 U.S.C. 552, subsection (b) (5), as inter-agency letters because of references to confidential data. As you know, the Kennedy family's copy of the "memorandum of transfer" is held for safekeeping by the National Archives and Records Service, but it is still the property of the Kennedy family. It was used by the panel of doctors who reviewed the material relating to the autopsy of President Kennedy for Attorney General Ramsey Clark. No copy of the memorandum has been used by any other researcher.

Sincerely,

JAMES B. RHOADS
Archivist of the United States